

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Sam McConnell on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, on September 15, 1945, the young couple of Sam and Inez McConnell embarked upon the sea of matrimony and their lifelong voyage through marital waters has been blessed with calm and tranquil currents; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 1995, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McConnell will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary, an event that will be truly "golden" in more respects than one; and

WHEREAS, the McConnells' fifty years of marriage have been an inspiration to family and friends alike because of its blissful nature and the exhibition of the excellent characters of these two remarkable people; and

WHEREAS, both Mr. and Mrs. McConnell received masters degrees from Duke University, and have retired from their professional pursuits after many years of outstanding service in the area of education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McConnell admirably served in the military, was a school teacher and principal and, after 19 years, retired from Hamilton County Schools as the Superintendent of Schools. Mrs. McConnell taught at Women's College in North Carolina and Hixson High School; and

WHEREAS, the couple's exemplary union has produced three fine children, all of whom have beautiful children of their own; and

WHEREAS, the McConnells are the justifiably proud grandparents of David and Susan Burnett, and Susan, John and Keith McConnell; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. McConnell evince their robust belief in the Lord through their active membership in Hixson United Methodist Church where Mr. McConnell has been teaching Sunday School for over 40 years and Mrs. McConnell has been teaching a women's Sunday School class for several years; and

WHEREAS, on August 12, 1995, family, friends and neighbors will honor the McConnells with a celebration of the couple's fiftieth wedding anniversary in appreciation of their friendship and love; and

WHEREAS, in this age of unrest, a golden anniversary is indeed a remarkable achievement; and

WHEREAS, good and lasting marriages such as the McConnells' provide a solid foundation for our society; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to honor the marital bliss and devotion of Sam and Inez McConnell; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Sam McConnell on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and join them in their anticipation of many more happy years together.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.